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POLICY LETTER 5-17

From: Commanding Officer, Marine Attack Squadron 542

To: All Hands, Marine Attack Squadron 542

Subj: COMMANDING OFFICER'S FAMILY READINESS POLICY

Ref: (a) MCO 1754.9A

1. The most valuable assets in VMA-542 are the Marines and their families. Assisting unit members and their families in finding balance between the personal and professional is the goal of the unit family readiness program. Each and every member whether a Marine, Sailor, spouse or extended family member is an integral part of the Tiger team. My intent is to have an effective program that will enhance the unit's state of readiness and support the mission.

- 2. The head of the unit's family readiness program is the Family Readiness Officer (FRO), Ms. Stephanie McPherson. She is extensively trained and experienced in all aspects of running the program, and will provide an invaluable resource by assisting our families in remaining healthy and prepared. Ms. McPherson will be your first point of contact for any issue relating to family readiness.
- 3. I encourage you and your family to take advantage of the many programs and resources that are available on base. Organizations such as Marine Corps Family Team Building and Marine and Family Services provide services and support to our military families. Additionally, a wide range of programs exist to prepare family members for deployments, to sponsor events for children of all ages, to educate new parents, to support exceptional family member programs, and to promote health and wellness. These are just a few examples of the many resources available to you. The FRO, in conjunction with the entire Marine Corps family team, will help to find a specific program designed around your needs.
- 4. To learn more about these and other programs offered locally or online, please contact the Family Readiness Officer at 252-466-7395.

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